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SONGBIRD AVN/AVIA, OPER, DAMC/I. 19 DEC 72 NSA/UH(NS)-HCF-VRDE MISSILES BY AN UNIDENTIFIED HAIPHONE AREA BATTALION AND ONE BY AN UNIDENTIFIED HANDI AREA UNIT. AT 2210Z, AN UNIDENTIFIED SAM BATTALION, PROBABLY LOCATED TO THESOUTH OF HANOI, REPORTED THAT A B-52 HAD BEEN SHOT DOWN. NO FURTHER AMPLIFYING DATA WAS PASSED. LATER, BETWEEN 2358Z, 18 DECEMBER AND ###2Z, 19 DECEMBER A CONVERSATION BETWEEN THE 264TH SAM REGIMENT AND BATTALION 78 REVEALED THAT A PILOT HAD BEEN CAPTURED AT A AAA UNIT TO THE WEST OF THE 264TH REGIMENT. NEITHER THE IDENTITY OF THE PILOT NOR THE TYPE OF AIRCRAFT WAS REVEALED. III. MIG REACTIONS(THIRD MAVE) MIG-21'S WERE ACTIVE AGAIN AT 2038 WHEN THO WERE ON STRIP ALERT AT GIA LAM. AT 2139 ONE OF THESE MIG'S, A FISHBED J MODEL, SCRAMBLED AND WAS TOLD TO WORK WITH THE BAI THUOGN CONTROLLER AND THE SENIOR GCI CONTROLLER. AT 2151 HE DROPPED HIS AUXILIARY FUEL TANKS AND SPOTTED TWO F-4'S TO HIS RIGHT. ONE MINUTE LATER HE FIRED A MIDDILE., APPARENTLY MITHOUT SUCCESS. AT 2154 HE WAS BEING FOLLOWED BY F-4'S ANOTHER MIG-21 PROBABLY FROM GIA LAM JOINED THE FIRST MIG AT 2157, BOTH AIRCRAFT WERE VECTORED TOWARD A B-52 11KMS AWAY AND SAW THEIR TARGET AT 2202 WHEN IT WAS 8NM AWAY. DURING THE NEXT SEVERAL MINUTES, THE MIG'S MANEUVERED, SPOTTING THREE LARGE \$HOSTILES\$AT 2205, TWO AT 2206, AND AN UNIDENTIFIED NUMBER OF SHOSTILES AT 220828. AFTER BEING WARNED TO PAY ATTENTION TO HIS REAR, ONE MIG REPORTED DAMAGE AT 2214 AND WITHDREW FROM COMBAT. AT 2218 GIA LAM REPORTED THAT THE AIRFIELD WAS \$BURNING GREATLYS. AND AT 2229 THAT THE RAILROAD STATION WAS \$BURNING BRIGHTLY. \$ ONE OF THE MIG'S (THE SAME MIG-21 REFERENCED EARLIER AT 1854Z ON STRIP ALERT AT HANOI GIA LAM) LANDED AT GIA LAM AT 2238, BUT, ACCORDING TO PRELIMINARY (REFERENCED EARLIER AT 1732Z AIRBORNE OUT OF BACH MAI) THE OTHER MIG WAS NOT NOTED IN LANDING COMMUNICATIONS. ((1)) USA29 CRITIC 10-72 18/1405Z DEC AND FOLLOW-UPS, 2/00/VCK/ R1349-72 18 DEC 72. ((2)) USA29 CRITIC 11-72 18/1811Z DEC AND FOLLOW UPS. ((3)) USA29 CRITIC 12-72 18/2214Z DEC AND FOLLOW UPS. 650 \$8674 NNNN

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